

# Fiscal TOPICS

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## Human Trafficking Enforcement Fund

### Purpose and History

The Human Trafficking Enforcement Fund was established in 2015 by [Senate File 510](#) (Standing Appropriations Act) and funded by the transfer of the FY 2015 ending balance in the Mortgage Servicing Settlement Fund. Moneys in the Fund are used to train local law enforcement, members of the Iowa State Patrol, county attorneys, judicial officers, juvenile court officers, and public safety answering point personnel about recognizing and reporting incidents of human trafficking.

During the 2016 Legislative Session, [House File 2458](#) (Justice System Appropriations Act) extended permission to the Department of Justice (DOJ) to use the Fund to reimburse the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) for domestic abuse and human trafficking training. The moneys in the Fund are appropriated to the DOJ and the Department may expend those funds as permitted after consulting the Commissioner of Public Safety and the Director of ILEA. The ending balance in the Human Trafficking Enforcement Fund on June 30, 2020, will be transferred to the State General Fund.

### Funding

The Legislative Services Agency (LSA) was notified by the Office of the Attorney General in August 2015 that the FY 2015 ending balance in the Mortgage Servicing Settlement Fund was \$602,259. This amount was transferred to the Human Trafficking Enforcement Fund in August 2015 (FY 2016). In FY 2016, the fund had an ending balance of \$554,806, which carried forward to FY 2017.

### More Information

See the *Fiscal Topics* [Crime Victim Assistance Division](#) and [Budget Unit: Office of the Attorney General](#) for more information.

### More Information

Office of the Attorney General: <https://www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov/>  
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